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USING THE SAME AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d)

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1. U.S. Patent No. 4,999,685 issued March 12, 1991, to Waldrop et al.
2. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0052061 A1, to Fitzgerald.

Submitted herewith is a copy of the corresponding Communication from a Foreign Patent Office dated December 29, 2006, as well as a complete English translation thereof.

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